Parking Solution Task Force

Minutes

February 13, 2020 at 4:30 pm

Attending: Eben Salvatore, Jane Holland, Ron Greenberg, Mary Booher, Erin Cough, Martha Searchfield, Matt Hochman and Sherry Rasmussen by phone. Staff: Cornell Knight, Stan Harmon, Chief Willis, Scott Pinkham.

Public Comment- Jim Elk owns a 2 unit building on Bridge Street with no parking and asked if the Bridge Street lot could be converted to permit parking so his tenants had a place to park. Eben said that lot is heavily used and that if that one were opened to permits other requests would follow. He suggested contacting the Legion about spaces. No action taken but his request will remain on a list of considerations.

Bike Racks- Ron Greenberg said he went before the Parks & Rec Committee about installing bike racks in the parks. They referred him to the PW Director. The town manager will discuss with the PW Director and report back.

Kiosks- the task force will recommend the policy be amended to allow extending time from any kiosk in town.

RV Policy- the Task Force wants to limit RV parking to the ballfield and Kids Corner lot. The Chief will work on language and report back.

Guest Permit- 89 permits issued all of last year. The task force will recommend the policy be amended to allow permits to be valid for 3 days.

Smart Card Implementation- Stan will begin the process. Smart cards can be used for committee, board members to attend meetings without an out of pocket expense for parking.

Parking Season- The Task Force will recommend that parking end on October 30th. Jane Holland said it should be the day after the marathon.

There was a discussion about establishing a municipal zone around the municipal building for free parking during Council meetings. The manager will look into the difficulty of programming the meters and report back.

Next meeting is March 12th at 4:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm.

Cornell Knight